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Please replace the paragraph beginning on the cover sheet, line 13, with the amended paragraph, as follows:

Your petitioner, Ronald L. Bruening, citizen of the United States, whose residence and postal mailing address is 1059 North 300 West, American Fork, Utah 84003, and Krzysztof E. Krakowiak, citizen of Poland, whose residence and postal mailing address is 1358 North 1850 West, Provo, Utah 84604, pray that letters patent may be granted to them as the inventors of COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR SEPARATING AMINES AND AMINO ACIDS FROM THEIR COUNTER-ENANTIOMERS as set forth in the following specification.

Preliminary Amendment Page 2

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3, with the amended paragraph, as follows:

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/802,123 filed on March 8, 2001 which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional patent application no. 60/188,935 filed on 3/10/00; this application also claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/411,251 filed on September 17, 2002 which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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